AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT FOR H.R. 8

Offered by Mr. Yoho of Florida

At the end of the bill, add the following new title:

1 TITLE VII—OPENING CRUDE OIL

2 **EXPORTS TO THE CARIBBEAN**

3 **REGION**

- 4 SEC. 7001. FINDINGS.
- 5 The Congress finds the following:
- 6 (1) The United States has enjoyed a dramatic 7 increase in the production of domestic energy, estab-8 lishing the United States as one of the world's lead-
- 9 ing oil producers.
- 10 (2) By authorizing crude oil exports to the Car-
- 11 ibbean region, the Congress can spur domestic en-
- ergy production, create and preserve jobs, and in-
- crease the energy security of the region while de-
- creasing the region's reliance on Venezuelan oil.
- 15 (3) Under the Petrocaribe Agreement with Ven-
- ezuela, Caribbean countries can secure petroleum
- through financing agreements that effectively make
- the Caribbean countries debtors to Venezuela.

1	(4) The agreements can be cancelled or modi-
2	fied with just 30 days' notice, cutting off the flow
3	of new financing and forcing countries to pay mar-
4	ket rates.
5	SEC. 7002. REPEAL.
6	(a) In General.—Section 103 of the Energy Policy
7	and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6212), and any other
8	provision of law prohibiting the export of crude oil, shall
9	not apply to exports to a country described in subsection
10	(b).
11	(b) Caribbean Countries.—The countries referred
12	to in subsection (a) are the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize,
13	the Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guate-
14	mala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Nicaragua, Panama, and
15	Trinidad and Tobago.
16	SEC. 7003. STUDIES.
17	(a) Greenhouse Gas Emissions.—Not later than
18	120 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
19	retary of Energy shall conduct, and transmit to the Com-
20	mittee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Rep-
21	resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
22	Resources of the Senate the results of, a study on the net
23	greenhouse gas emissions that will result from the repeal
24	of the crude oil export ban under section 7002.

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(b) CRUDE OIL EXPORT STUDY.—

1	(1) In General.—The Department of Com-
2	merce, in consultation with the Department of En-
3	ergy, and other departments as appropriate, shall
4	conduct a study of the State and national implica-
5	tions of lifting the crude oil export ban with respect
6	to consumers and the economy.
7	(2) Contents.—The study conducted under
8	paragraph (1) shall include an analysis of—
9	(A) the economic impact that exporting
10	crude oil will have on the economy of the
11	United States;
12	(B) the economic impact that exporting
13	crude oil will have on consumers, taking into
14	account impacts on energy prices;
15	(C) the economic impact that exporting
16	crude oil will have on domestic manufacturing,
17	taking into account impacts on employment;
18	and
19	(D) the economic impact that exporting
20	crude oil will have on the refining sector, taking
21	into account impacts on employment.
22	(3) Report to congress.—Not later than 1
23	year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Bu-
24	reau of Industry and Security shall submit to Con-

- 1 gress a report containing the results of the study
- 2 conducted under paragraph (1).
- 3 SEC. 7004. SAVINGS CLAUSE.
- 4 Nothing in this title limits the authority of the Presi-
- 5 dent under the Constitution, the International Emergency
- 6 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the Na-
- 7 tional Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), part B
- 8 of title II of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42
- 9 4 U.S.C. 6271 et seq.), the Trading With the Enemy Act
- 10 5 (50 U.S.C. App. 1 et seq.), or any other provision of
- 11 law that imposes sanctions on a foreign person or foreign
- 12 government (including any provision of law that prohibits
- 13 or restricts United States persons from engaging in a
- 14 transaction with a sanctioned person or government), in-
- 15 cluding a foreign government that is designated as a state
- 16 sponsor of terrorism, to prohibit exports.

